

OFFICIALS DO NOT FEAR BUBONIC PLAGUE PREVALENT IN MEXICO

TUCSON, June 30.—Appearance of the bubonic plague in Mexico has caused little concern in Tucson. Dr. E. J. Gotthelf, county health officer has received no instructions from the state health department regarding precautions leading to the belief that no fears of the disease reaching Arizona are felt by the state health officers.

The local immigration office will not be affected in any way. R. A. Scott, inspector in charge, stated that the ports of entry would be the only parts of the service to take measures against the disease. All immigrants are given rigid medical examinations before entering so that there was little likelihood of the disease entering this country through the ports of entry.

Bubonic plague has been reported prevalent in several parts of Mexico. It is being carefully guarded against by the United States Public Health Service. The disease made its appearance in New Orleans a few years ago but was soon eliminated through the aid of "rat proofing." The germs were carried into New Orleans by rats which were brought there by ships from South American countries. The "rat proofing" of all buildings soon eliminated the rats and consequently the plague. Only a few deaths resulted during the slight epidemic.

Bubonic plague is believed to be identical with the plague known as the black death which was prevalent in China many centuries ago. It attacks the lymphatic glands in the neck, armpits, groins and other parts of the body. Its modern name is derived from the medical term, bubo, meaning a hardening of the lymphatic glands. The swollen parts are extremely sensitive to the touch and the patient suffers from headache, high fever and prostration. In severe cases, death generally ensues in 48 hours and, at best, recovery is slow. The disease is usually spread by animal. Mice, rats, cats and monkeys have all been agents in bringing the disease from foreign ports. Great care is taken by quarantine authorities to prevent agencies from entering the ports.

PIONEERS' HOME IS TO HAVE TWO-STORY ADDITION AT \$65,000

PHOENIX, June 29.—In anticipation of a legislative appropriation of \$60,000 which becomes available with the first of the fiscal year, the board of directors of state institutions has accepted the plans and specifications for a two-story addition to the state pioneers' home at Prescott.

The new building will be built of brick and in conformity to the present architecture. It will provide the institution with 34 additional rooms and increase the accommodations by 68. The plans were drawn up by C. Totten of Prescott.

GROCERY STORE IS ENTERED BY THIEF

MESA, June 30.—The Ong K. Ten grocery, a Chinese store on North Center street, was entered Sunday night and the change in the cash register amounting in all to about \$15 was taken.

Entrance to the store was gained by forcing a side window.

ANCIENT FEUD IS CAUSE OF SERIOUS STABBING AFFRAY

MIAMI, June 30.—Upon the complaint of Sam Johnson, a Bellevue miner, a fellow workman, Eugene Snyder, was arrested Saturday afternoon, charged with assault with a deadly weapon. Snyder, according to the complainant, stabbed him with a file during the course of a fight. To substantiate the charge the miner displayed a score or more of ugly looking wounds upon his body.

The alleged murderous attack is said to have followed a feud of long standing. According to the tale related by Johnson, he and Snyder had had previous trouble which was settled temporarily by a fist fight. Saturday, he claims, Snyder again attacked him, bringing a sharp file into play.

WELCH NOT CANDIDATE FOR STATE TREASURER

In a news item which has been going the rounds of the state, giving the list of state candidates on the democratic ticket it is mentioned that Guy C. Welch, present county treasurer of Cochise is a candidate for state treasurer. This is, of course, an erroneous report, as Mr. Welch never has announced himself a candidate for state honors, but is a candidate for re-election to the office he now holds.

"Of course, I would feel highly honored with a state office," said Mr. Welch to a large number of inquirers who read the erroneous report and enquired to know whether he had changed his mind, "but I feel that I should remain in Cochise county and accept another term to my present office, should the voters decide that I can remain. I have served one term and have under way a large amount of work on back taxes for collection, dating back to 1915, as far as the law allows. This will total over \$70,000.00 and the finishing touches are now being put on before suit will be filed. It will take at least another year to complete the suits and either collect back taxes or sell the property in question and I would loathe to leave the unfinished work behind."

"I appreciate the ardor of my newspaper friends in putting me forward as a state candidate, but I must decline the honor and state that I have no aspirations outside of Cochise county."

GAS WELL IN THE COLORADO

YUMA, June 30.—According to word that has been brought to Yuma the old Colorado river has brought into existence a good sized gas well about 23 miles south of Yuma. The Colorado river is a river full of tricks and no one can tell just what the river will do next. During the last flood when the water was high the river wrote a new chapter in its history inasmuch as it started to bore for oil or gas near the 23-mile post. During the high water at a sharp bend of the river the Colorado dug a deep hole. There is no telling just how deep the hole is and nothing is known concerning the hole, except that it is very deep. For the last six or eight days large gas bubbles have been coming to the top of the water. The bubbles are about as big as double fists and in exploding make a little noise.

FOREST FIRES ARE RAGING IN BIG RESERVES

PHOENIX, June 28.—General rains throughout eastern and central Arizona, beginning Friday night, have greatly aided in reducing forest fires which have been raging for the past two weeks in government forest reserves, according to advices received by weather bureau officials.

The forest fires were in Apache and Navajo counties and as many as a dozen were in progress, it was said. Figures have not become available here regarding the total area burned. All available forest rangers were engaged in combatting the fires.

OWENS CHARGED WITH STATUTORY CRIME ON YOUNG MIAMI GIRL

MIAMI, June 29.—William Owens, a resident of this city, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Police Officer Cole, who charges that Owens committed a statutory offense against Irene Alred, age 13 years.

Owens has resided in Miami for several years, following the occupation of carpenter. It is alleged that yesterday's offense is not the first of this kind charged to Owens and considerable ill feeling is resulting from the alleged crime.

COTTON CROP IS ONLY 80 PER CENT NORMAL IN STATE

PHOENIX, June 28.—The cotton crop in Arizona and the Imperial valley in California is from two to three weeks late and condition is only 80 per cent normal, as compared with 90 per cent in 1919, according to a statement of general business and agricultural conditions in the Twelfth federal reserve district issued by the federal reserve bank of San Francisco and made public this morning.

PATAGONIA DEPUTY WILL GET REWARD

PHOENIX, June 29.—To Deputy Sheriff H. J. Patterson of Patagonia will go the reward of \$3054 offered by the state, the county, the city and various private citizens for the apprehension and conviction of the murdered of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Erhardt, it was stated yesterday. In the event that Jesus Maria Barboa, the confessed murderer, is convicted the first conditions of the reward have been fulfilled, but the conviction is still to come.

The board of supervisors, it is said, will be responsible for the awarding of the county's offer and the governor will handle the state's offer. It was stated that the rewards might be placed under one head and the decision as to the distribution left to him, but it is hardly thought that this will be done. No distribution of the reward will be made except as seen fit by Sheriff Earhardt of Nogales.

HIGHWAY WILL BE REROUTED

TUCSON, June 29.—Right of way across the Sella Indian reservation, for the Tucson-Ajo highway has been granted by the department of the interior at Washington, according to information received yesterday by Chairman Fishburn, of the Pima county highway commission, who has been active in pressing the matter. The right of way will be one hundred feet wide and the routing of the highway across the reservation will make the road to Ajo considerably nearer and cheaper.

The prompt granting of the application is due to the efforts of Senator Mark Smith, who interested himself in the matter at the request of the commission.

PASSES AWAY IN CALIFORNIA HOSPITAL

BISBEE, June 28.—Mrs. Mary Walker died in Los Angeles after an illness of several weeks, according to information received here. Mrs. Walker was well known in the district, having come to Tombstone in 1880 from Virginia City, Nevada, and from Tombstone to Bisbee when Bisbee was just a small mining camp. The old timers here well remember the kindly deeds done by her in cases of illness. At the time of her death she was a property owner here but had been in California for the past year.

THATCHER FIRE CAUSES BIG LOSS

SAFFORD, June 29.—As a result of a fire on the ranch owned by James Porter, in Thatcher, north of the hotel, Mr. Porter suffered a loss of about \$3,000.

The exhaust on the baler set fire to a load of hay that was being hauled to the baler and the horses became frightened and ran through the hay barn, setting fire to it, and then ran through a grain field, setting fire to stacked grain.

An alarm was turned in here shortly before noon and the fire department made a quick trip to Thatcher. No water and the great headway made by the fire, rendered the efforts of the firemen almost useless.

J. A. TATE DIES

BISBEE, June 30.—J. A. Tate, for 15 years an employee of the Copper Queen Mining company, died Monday night at the company hospital of a complication of diseases. He is survived by four daughters, Mrs. A. E. Hurst, Mrs. Gus Bauer, Mrs. J. J. Dugal and Miss Ruby Tate and three brothers, Robert, Thomas and William, all in the employ of the Copper Queen.

The funeral will take place tomorrow, time and place to be announced later.

NAVAJO TRIBE OF ARIZ. THOUGHT LARGEST IN U. S.

PHOENIX, June 30.—The Navajo Indian tribe in northeastern Arizona numbers 7,844, said to be the largest single tribe of Indians remaining in the United States, according to an announcement tonight at the district census office here. With this enumeration completed, District Supervisor Sam Bradner said his task was finished and his office closed.

APACHES TO REVIVE TRIBAL DANCING AT GREAT CELEBRATION

PHOENIX, July 1.—For many years the throb of the tom-tom, beating out the course of the old Apache tribal dances, has been still, because of an edict of the government forbidding the annual celebration by the Indians.

For the first time in the memory of some of the oldest residents of the state, the ban has been lifted and the Apache Indians of the Fort McDowell reservation are planning a revival of their ancient custom in the way of a big celebration July 1 to 3 inclusive.

Residents of the entire state have been cordially invited to attend the ceremonies, of which the feature will be this revival of the tribal dances.

FLORENCE MAN GETS U. S. LAND IN DRAWING

PHOENIX, June 30.—Ralph P. Lane of Florence who was declared the winner in a drawing held Monday in the United States land office for which the prize offered was a tract of 80 acres, situated in section 1, township 1 south, range 3 east, which is about four miles south and four miles east of Phoenix. The 80 acres comprise a desirable piece of land which can be successfully irrigated, according to land experts and is the last of the lands lying adjacent to this city which was open to entry for ex-service men.

In the drawing held Monday, 49 ex-service men from all parts of the state were represented, all these having filed a claim on this particular section of land, necessitating a drawing to decide the winner.

LABOR SHORTAGE ON HIGHWAYS SPREADING

PHOENIX, June 29.—That the difficulty confronting the state highway department in securing labor for highway construction is reaching to all parts of the state is indicated in the request received from Thos. S. O'Connell, engineer in charge of construction work on the Arrowhead trail in Mohave county. State forces have been engaged in breaking the trail from Wallapai valley to the bridge site on the Colorado river at Grand wash, but owing to the difficulty in securing men to work on the desert during the summer months it will be impossible to continue this work.

BABY COMES NEAR DROWNING IN TUB

HAYDEN, June 29.—Mrs. J. T. Austin's ten-months-old baby narrowly escaped drowning in a tub of water Wednesday evening. The child was playing in the yard of their home on Utah avenue when it drew itself up to a tub of water standing nearby and fell in head first. It was nearly unconscious when discovered.

INJURED MAN DIES

BISBEE, June 30.—O. H. Green, local carpenter who was injured early Sunday morning when an auto driven by Frank Dean overturned on the Bisbee-Naco road, died yesterday morning at the Copper Queen hospital.

As a result of his death, Frank Dean, driver of the rent car in which Green was riding, is faced with a charge of manslaughter on the grounds that he was under the influence of liquor at the time of the accident. Dean has been held in the city jail since the accident and will be given a preliminary hearing today.

ELECTION TO VOTE ON MUCH NEEDED SCHOOL BONDS COMES FRIDAY

PHOENIX, June 30.—With the public grammar schools crowded to overflowing during the past year and an increased enrollment of 25 per cent expected for next year, the taxpayers of Phoenix will be called upon next Friday to vote for a bond issue of \$300,000 to cover the cost of building three new school houses and to equip them with the necessary furnishings.

An additional bond issue of \$50,000 for paying the streets adjacent to many of the school grounds will also be voted.

CHARGE J. L. GIROUX WITH SHOOTING SON

Joseph L. Giroux, former manager of the United Verde mines at Jerome and known to many mining men of this district, is charged with having shot and killed his eldest son, George Giroux, at Marietta, Nevada, last Saturday. The shooting occurred following a quarrel between the son and Mrs. Giroux, his step-mother, in which the father intervened. The boy was shot in the head. He was in charge of a mine at Marietta for his father. The quarrel is said to have grown out of a discussion as to how he expended some \$60,000 in the past year in mining operations. Joseph Giroux is one of the most prominent mining men in the west. The family home is at Hollywood, California. He is held by the police at Mina, Nevada, until a thorough investigation has been made.

NORTON MAY SEEK SENATORIAL SEAT

PRESCOTT, July 1.—In political circles there is a very strong rumor to the effect that close friends of John W. Norton, one of the well known pioneers of Arizona, are urging him to enter the race for the United States senatorship on the Democratic ticket.

Mr. Norton has lived most of his 36 years in Arizona at Prescott, but he is well known all over the state as a broad minded, capable man and his friends are confident that he would make an able senator.

PRISONER IS CAPTURED AFTER SIEGE OF 6 HOURS

DOUGLAS, July 1.—Soon after daylight yesterday morning, John Grande, who for more than 6 hours had held a posse of officers at bay, responded to a summons from Deputy Sheriff Sam Boucher, who was looking at him over the barrel of a gun shoved through a window, held up his hands and came forth in a peaceable manner. Grande is in the city jail awaiting preliminary hearing on charges of attempted assault on a young woman and resisting an officer.

Grande is alleged to have gone to a house near his place of business shortly before midnight Tuesday and made an attempt to assault a young woman. Two other Mexican women were in the house at the time and they immediately notified Deputy Sheriff Boucher who found Grande entrenched in the place and when he sought to enter he was greeted with four shots. This convinced the deputy that more than one officer was needed and he returned to the police station for aid. When Boucher and the other officers reached the scene they found "the fort" still occupied and the siege lasted from about midnight until dawn. More than 1000 shots were fired into the building, but Grande was safe behind a cement ice-chest and was uninjured. He had nearly \$600 in cash in his place of business, a pistol, rifle and shotgun.

Grande came to Douglas about four years ago from Tucson, bringing letters of recommendation from three or four business houses of the old Pueblo. He bought an old wagon and a horse on credit, obtained some vegetables with the understanding that he would pay for them when he sold the first wagon load, and he made good. Gradually he enlarged his business until he opened up an establishment of his own. He is said to be worth between \$6000 and \$7000 and his credit is good here.

Grande declares he thought the officers were trying to rob him, and asserts he did not know they were trying to arrest him. They looked like anyone else to him in the dark, he said, and he thought the best thing for him to do was to defend himself and his money. He denies he tried to attack the young woman.

EXCAVATING, FIND INFANT'S SKELETON

PHOENIX, July 1.—Workmen excavating at the site of a new theater at 53 West Washington street yesterday morning unearthed the well preserved skeleton of an infant which apparently had been buried for many years. It was wrapped in a burlap and had been buried at a depth of eight and one-half feet. The building which was razed recently to make way for the construction of a modern moving picture theater, was built more than 30 years ago and as there is nothing by which the police can establish a means of identification, it is probable that this will remain one of the mysteries of Phoenix.

TUCSON CAR INSPECTOR IS ACCUSED BY OWN DAUGHTER

PHOENIX, July 1.—Charged with an unmentionable crime against his own daughter, a beautiful 18-year-old girl, Charles Hannon, well known in Tucson railroad circles will be taken from Tucson today by Deputy Sheriff Gene Barbish to Austin, Texas, there to face the grand jury of Travis county. One of the most revolting features of the strange case, according to the officers, is the fact that the young woman may become a mother, in which case the child would be her half sister, it is believed.

The alleged criminal relations between father and girl, according to the indictment, started when she was but 11 years of age, and continued from time to time up until a short time ago. The matter has been kept secret, according to the girl's statement to the officers because of the father's threats that he would kill the girl, her mother, his sister and himself, should she ever reveal the truth.

Hannon left Austin in 1916, and for some time past has been employed in the Tucson railroad yards as car inspector. He is between 40 and 45 years of age, a man of pleasing personality and well thought of by his fellow workmen up to the time of his arrest, there being not even a suspicion of wrong doing of any kind.

The daughter's story came out in Austin a few days ago. She was there on a visit with her mother's relatives and when the time came for her to return to Tucson, she declared emphatically that she would die first. She could not tell the reason why. She declared, but finally relatives succeeded in securing a confession, and this was corroborated in part by a physician's examination.

Extradition papers were issued for Hannon following a hearing held in executive chambers at the capitol yesterday. The indicted man was represented by Attorney Davidson of Tucson, who opposed extradition on the grounds that if a crime had been committed it had been committed in Arizona, and that therefore the Arizona courts had jurisdiction.

WILL COMPLETE BISBEE ROAD PAVING SOON

DOUGLAS, July 1.—Motorists traveling the Douglas-Bisbee highway are advised to follow the paved sections and take the two-mile detour around the unpaved portion. This information was given by county Engineer Sid Smyth who was here Tuesday night and yesterday morning. "We expect to put the detour in first class condition within a short time," Mr. Smyth said. "It is narrow throughout its length, but we will put in several turn-outs, so that cars may be made to pass each other without inconvenience. The big truck of the McPeak & Dillon company is at present hauling cement from Bisbee to the scene of paving, and this truck has the right of way; hence motorists should turn aside for it when meeting it on the road."

Recently it was announced that the contractors would be delayed several weeks in completing the paving, the failure to receive cement being the cause, but there are 12 cars of cement in sight at present, which practically assures the completion of the work before the end of July, probably within the next three weeks. It is understood the contractors have 6 or 7 cars of cement on hand in addition to some en route.

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STORM CONSULATE TO BEAT \$10 VISE

NOGALES, July 1.—The American consulate in Nogales, Sonora, was literally stormed today by crowds seeking to have their passports vised before the charge was advanced to \$10, which according to the new state department passport regulation, will be done July 1. Two policemen were unable to keep them back, and before reinforcements could arrive they had broken down the iron fence in front of the consulate by mere mass weight alone.

Alberto E. Figueroa, presidente municipal, then placed a squad of soldiers in front of the building, and these with their formidable guns succeeded in holding back the throng which, at times, exceeded 500. An extra office force has been at work at the consulate during the last few days handling as best it could the phenomenal amount of work brought on by demands for visas of passports. More than 300 passports are being handled daily. Several hundred people were turned away when the doors were closed last night, and it is expected that the crush today will be unprecedented. Applicants are given preference in order of their arrival at the consulate and every effort is being made to accommodate as many persons as possible.

LOCAL COMPANY PAYS RECORD INHERITANCE TAX ON BIG ESTATE

PHOENIX, July 1.—Tuesday the collector of internal revenue at Phoenix, was paid federal estate tax without doubt the largest ever received by the local office and the state treasurer received the largest state inheritance tax on record in this state. Both were paid by the Phoenix Savings Bank & Trust company as executor of the estate of Austin Byron Dunlap, deceased.

Arizona readers will recall an article appearing in this paper about a year ago in which was given a synopsis of the \$1,000,000 will which had just been filed for probate by the local trust company. The amount of the tax paid to Collector Franklin was \$45,259.91 while State Treasurer Ross received \$9,255.66. Total taxes paid had to be paid by the trust company for the estate will amount to about \$75,000 which includes inheritance taxes paid by eight different states of the Union.

BISBEE SCHOOL BUDGET GROWS

BISBEE, July 1.—The school budget for the year 1920-21 as adopted by the board of education at a meeting yesterday shows a marked increase over the budget for last year. This was to have been expected on account of the increase in salaries given to teachers and the increase in the cost of maintenance in general.

Budget estimates for 1919-20 for the grade schools amounted to \$221,934, while the amount actually expended was \$227,555. Estimates for 1920-21 amount to \$332,150. The high school budget for next year is estimated at \$46,500 compared with \$29,969 expended last year.

LEGION CIVIL SERVICE BILL PUT ON RECORD

BISBEE, July 1.—The initiative petition for a state civil service law giving certain preferences to ex-service men, originated by the U. A. Engle, Jr., post of the American Legion, was filed Tuesday with Miss Sims, secretary of the state, by Tom Egart and John Sanders who returned yesterday from the capitol. A total of 9,013 signatures were on the petition where only 5,160 were required.

DRIVE ON EXCESS PROFITS AND WAR TAXES BY ZANDER

PHOENIX, July 1.—Taking the position that all excess profit and war taxes imposed on business only tends to increase the cost of merchandise to the ultimate consumer, C. M. Zander, chairman of the state tax commission, has dispatched a wire to W. J. Bryan, and other members of the resolutions committee at the San Francisco convention asking them to use their influence in securing a plank for the national democratic platform abolishing this form of taxation as being false economy.